

YOUNG GIRL ELOPES

Stella Rich Quits Country Home with Invalid.

POLICE ASKED TO HOLD HER

Dvid V. Shaw, of Washington, and His Youthful Bride-to-be Evade Officers—Romance Begins in Annapolis Junction, Where Man Goes to Recuperate from Operation.

The police were last night asked to locate and arrest Stella Rich, sixteen years old, who eloped from Annapolis Junction yesterday afternoon with David V. Shaw, thirty years old, of 1212 D street northeast.

Although all the approaches to the city were watched by detectives, the couple had not been arrested at an early hour this morning. The girl's mother, who is employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, is determined her daughter shall not marry Shaw.

The elopement is the result of a romantic courtship, begun when Shaw went to Annapolis Junction, about six weeks ago to recuperate from an operation for appendicitis. He was living at the house of an aunt and Miss Rich was a frequent visitor. The young girl read to the invalid and as he grew stronger, accompanied him on long walks through the woods.

As the time drew near for Shaw's return to Washington, his attentions to Miss Shaw increased. He was with her constantly. Although Mrs. Rich expostulated with her daughter, the meetings with Shaw continued.

Leave on Same Train.

Yesterday afternoon Shaw left Annapolis Junction. A short time after he had boarded a train for Washington it was learned that Miss Rich was missing. Inquiry showed that she had boarded the train with Shaw. Wires were sent up and down the railroad line, but the young man and his suitor could not be located. As a last resort, the Washington police were notified and asked to arrest and hold the youthful bride-to-be.

It is believed the couple came to this city, boarded a train for New York, and stopped at a way point and were married.

Party at St. Patrick's.

Entertainment for Benefit of Poor Churches to Be Repeated.

Cases and processions of the day were forgotten and protestations against the depressing humidity ceased last night when many hundreds of the young and old in Catholic circles in Washington gathered on the terrace south of St. Patrick's Church to enjoy the festival in progress and indulge in the dancing.

A new feature in the social life of St. Patrick's was introduced, and the social season of the year among the parishioners closed by the festivities, given for the benefit of the poor of the church. The members of the committee in charge were repaid for the weeks of labor spent in preparation by the success attending the evening. A more successful night and larger financial returns are expected this evening, when the gates open at 7:30 o'clock.

A list of the members of the committee in charge follows: Executive committee, Father Carroll, Mrs. A. C. Joy, Mrs. Clara Manderfield, Mrs. John R. Galloway, Mrs. John Lyons, and Mrs. William James; electrical display committee, John R. Galloway and R. B. Patterson; grounds committee, Rev. Dr. William T. Russell, Rev. James A. Smyth, Rev. T. E. McGowan, Rev. James E. O'Connor, Rev. George Harrington, Carl Daly, Frank Jones, A. C. Joy, E. E. Fischer, James Mankin, Michael Gatti, Edward Hannan, Clarence Nobe, and Mr. Moritz; four committees, John Clippner, Dennis Connell, William Lepley, Carl Valentine, Leonard, candy committee, Miss Mary Barnes, Miss Roseanna Stevens, and Miss Marie Longmore; lemonade committee, Mrs. William James, Miss Mary James, Miss Mary Wigganman, and Miss Louise Wigganman.

Music was furnished by the Meininger Orchestra.

UNDERTAKER ASKS \$10,000.

Stewart Says Winslow Called Him Ordinary Hack Driver.

David L. Stewart, funeral director and undertaker, yesterday instituted suit to recover \$10,000 from James H. Winslow for alleged slander.

In his declaration, Stewart charges that Winslow on December 13, 1927, in the presence of several persons, made statements that were derogatory of him and injured his business, among other things, saying:

"He is a common, ordinary hack driver, and don't know anything about the undertaking business, and don't know how to embalm."

Stewart's statements of a like tenor were made about him by Winslow, Stewart charges.

Society Elects New Officers.

Officers were elected and the routine business of the year disposed of last night at the twenty-ninth annual meeting of the Anthropological Society of Washington at the Cosmos Club. Officers elected were:

President, Walter Hough, and John Hitz, by George C. Maynard. The following officers were elected: Dr. Walter Hough, president; James Mooney, vice president; Dr. John R. Swanton, secretary; and George C. Maynard, treasurer. The board of managers is composed of Dr. L. M. Casanovi, W. E. Safford, F. W. Dodge, J. N. R. Hewitt, and C. L. Robinson.

Albert Kelsey Lectures.

Albert Kelsey, who has recently returned from a tour through Cuba and Mexico, lectured last night before the members of the Washington Architectural Club, in Hubbard Memorial Hall. Mr. Kelsey, in co-operation with Mr. Cret, designed the Bureau of American Republics Building. The lecturer drew a contrast between the architecture of this country and Mexico.

Ranger Goes Into Commission.

The old iron gunboat Hanger, now at the Cavite Naval Station, has been ordered placed in commission, and will be turned over to the Massachusetts Naval Training School. She will leave the Philippines some time in August, and will return to Boston by way of the Suez Canal.

WILL MOVE BODY TO-DAY.

Gov. Clinton's Remains to Be Accompanied by W. R. C.

The remains of Gov. George Clinton will be taken from Congressional Cemetery to its last resting place, Kingston, N. Y., to-day.

The arrangements for the removal and procession were completed yesterday. The organizations to take part in the procession will form in the open square north of Congressional Cemetery at 10:30 o'clock.

In addition to the number of organizations that have been named to take part in the procession, the Woman's Relief Corps and the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Association will assemble at Congressional Cemetery at 10 o'clock this morning. The members will wear white dresses and gloves to match, and each one will carry a flower, which will be placed on the casket. The following members of the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Association will assemble at Congressional Cemetery and proceed with the body to the Union Station: Horace S. Cummings, Dr. Ralph Walsh, William Shields McKean, Jessie L. Wilson, John Boyle Carmody, and Richard R. Kennedy.

BIEBER AND HIS PENSION

Granted Three Years Ago on Recommendation of Chief Belt.

Marine Hospital Surgeon Certified He Was Unfit for Duty Owing to Attack of Tuberculosis.

The fact that Sidney Bieber, capitalist, is on the fire department pension roll, drawing \$8 a month, has occasioned no end of adverse comment for months. That this pension will be cut off shortly now seems to be a foregone conclusion.

Since his retirement, on his own request, and the granting of his application to be pensioned, nearly three years ago, he has drawn about \$3,000. For two years of this time he has apparently been in good average health and one of the most active men in Washington.

The papers on file in the case are as follows:

Headquarters of the Fire Department, Washington, August 29, 1935.

To the Honorable Commissioners, District of Columbia.

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SAMUEL BIEBER SPEAKS FOR SON

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While the Brennan Company was doing paving work."

Before leaving the stand the witness was asked by Commissioner Morrow if at any time, in his presence, his son had mentioned the name of the Cranford Paving Company in connection with the proposed deal. Bieber answered in the negative.

Conway B. Hunt was called and cross-examined by Commissioners Morrow and West from 8:30 until 11:15 o'clock.

Most of the questioning was directed at the engineer of highways were of a technical character, and dealt with the consideration given to orders for paving work in the District.

Testimony of Hunt.

Hunt's testimony was uninteresting, but tended to show he was in no way connected with the charges of favoritism brought against the engineer department by Brennan.

In answer to a question by Maj. Morrow, he said: "I have never received money from any contractor or other person relating to my official duties."

The hearing adjourned at 1:15 o'clock to convene to-day at 2 o'clock, when the arguments will be presented by the attorneys.

It is expected Mr. G. L. Baker, attorney for the R. B. Bell Construction Company, will speak first, and will be followed by J. S. Flannery, counsel for the Cranford company. Charles A. Douglas, representing P. J. Brennan, will speak in rebuttal. Mr. Douglas will defend any attacks made upon his client by the other lawyers.

The Afternoon Session.

Glarence Carson, of the Columbia National Bank, was called to the stand at the opening of the afternoon session and questioned by Maj. Morrow regarding deposits made by A. L. Thomas, an employee of the engineer's office. Little evidence could be adduced to connect Thomas with charges of graft.

David Warner, of the tax collector's office, was called. He told of technical matters relating to deposits by contractors.

P. J. Brennan was called and subjected to rigid cross-examination by J. S. Flannery, attorney for the Cranford company.

"Do you charge or contend that the Commissioners discriminated against your company on the basis of March 30, 1937?" asked Mr. Flannery.

"As Commissioners?" queried Brennan. "As Commissioners or individuals."

"No," replied Brennan.

"Now, Mr. Brennan, this idea of dividing the contract in question was suggested by the Commissioners, was it not?"

"Yes."

"You received a copy of the instructions to bidders, in which the Commissioners reserve the right to withdraw any contract or award any contract as they see fit?"

"Well, when you claim favoritism was shown the Cranfords by the division of the contract on which you were the lowest bidder, you are making charges against persons who awarded that contract."

"I made that charge, and I mean it," replied Brennan.

"Then you openly charge the Commissioners with favoritism in awarding the contract?"

"You may construe my answer to mean that."

Mr. Flannery tried to show that Brennan had sought the aid of legal procedure to keep the contract, and that he had sought legal advice to keep the contract.

Brennan said he had sought legal advice to keep the contract.

At this point Commissioner Morrow joined in the examination and cross-examination of the witness.

It was shown by Commissioner West that Brennan's work for the District had been satisfactory. One point dwelt upon by Attorney Flannery was that Brennan had done a great amount of District work during the years of 1933-37 without furnishing the Commissioners an additional bond.

Brennan contended that he gave a bond on the estimates of his original contract, and had never been asked by the Commissioners to give additional bond.

In examining Brennan in regard to his statement that no work was given him out of the "yellow dog" fund, Maj. Morrow said:

"Mr. Brennan, I showed more favoritism to you on that occasion than was accorded to the Cranford Company."

Charles A. Douglas, counsel for Brennan, jumped to his feet, and said: "Maj. Morrow, do you wish that statement to be in the record?"

"I do not wish it understood that I have shown favoritism to anybody. I merely intended that Brennan had no cause to allege favoritism on the part of the engineer department to the Cranford Company. I do not wish the statement put in the record," said the engineer Commissioner.

SNELLSECRETS ARE RELEASED

Daughter-in-law of Illinois Millionaire Tells of His Weakness.

Grandniece Able to Wheel and Deal Him of Any Amount She Desired.

Bloomington, Ill., May 26.—Secrets zealously guarded during the closing years of Col. Tom Snell's life were revealed by his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Hannah Snell, on the witness stand this afternoon in the will case. She was the most notable witness yet subpoenaed, and the courtroom contained the largest crowd since the trial commenced.

She told how Col. Snell struck her in the face, causing blood to flow from her nose; of his shockingly profane language unblushingly addressed to herself and her children; of his repeated refusal to permit the body of her son to be buried moved from the public vault to be buried on the ground that he was too poor, and of his gloating over salacious letters he had received from women, and of his relations with his grandniece, Mabel Snell.

While in Bloomington, three weeks before Snell died, Mrs. Snell overheard a quarrel between Mabel and the old man, Mabel rebuking him for giving a fur coat to another woman without consulting her.

"When Mabel received a check from the old man and the amount was not large enough to suit her she tore it into small pieces and threw them at his face. He would then write one large enough. Mrs. Snell told at length of Col. Snell's trips with his grandniece, and other incidents of their relationship.

Dr. J. C. Myers testified that Col. Snell once told him that women had cost him a quarter of a million. Of Snell told Mrs. Snell, a tenant, that Mabel Snell would him around her little finger, and he was as helpless as a child before her; that he declared Mabel Snell never married while he lived.

The case for the contestant closes tomorrow, when the famous letters from women will be submitted and prominent alibists will be placed on the stand.

ORDERED TO SHOOT TO KILL.

Chester Dispatches Armed to Suppress Car Men's Strike.

Chester, Pa., May 26.—After a day filled with sporadic riots, police forces and scores of citizens sworn in by Sheriff David B. McClure as special deputies, are patrolling the streets to-night, having received from Mayor Johnston positive orders to shoot to kill if such action is necessary to preserve order.

Occupied by policemen and strike-breakers, all heavily armed, a few cars are being run on the principal streets.

INCOME TAX IN OKLAHOMA.

Many Radical Bills Are Signed by Gov. Haskell.

Guthrie, Okla., May 26.—The Oklahoma legislature adjourned sine die at midnight. Gov. Haskell sent in a message to-day approving the excise bill, not hearing Attorney General West's warning that the courts will declare it unconstitutional.

Gov. Haskell says the bill will increase the State's revenues \$700,000, of which the oil and gas companies will pay \$70,000.

Gov. Haskell also signed bills putting a tax on all incomes of more than \$3,500 a year, and a graduated tax on all land holdings of more than 640 acres; providing an inheritance tax; prohibiting overcharges by agents of railroad companies, express, telephone, and telegraph companies; providing for the nomination of Presidential electors by primaries; prohibiting the sale of mineral lands prior to 1935, and for jury trials for Supreme Court contempt cases.

ABANDONS BABY IN CHURCH.

Woman Places Child in Pew, Prays at Altar, and Hurriedly Departs.

Chicago, May 26.—Father Bernard Pringmeier, pastor of Holy Trinity Catholic Church, is to-day searching his parish for a strange woman, who slipped into the church yesterday evening as the Angelus was being tolled, and abandoned a four-weeks-old child in one of the rear seats.

The woman entered with several others and walked quietly up the aisle, kneeling at the altar several minutes to pray. Then she arose and hurried out of the church.

Sexton Discher was preparing to leave, when he was startled by a cry, and found the child.

JEROME LASHES ACCUSERS.

New York District Attorney Sums Up in His Own Behalf.

Elizabethtown, N. Y., May 26.—The summing up on the charges brought against District Attorney Jerome by the King committee was begun here this morning before Commissioner Richard L. Hand.

When proceedings opened at 10:30 o'clock Franklin Pierce, of counsel for the King committee, filed a voluminous report. Following this Mr. Jerome began his address in his own behalf. It was expected that he would take nearly three hours.

Pierce said at the opening that he had some more documentary evidence to offer. It was thought that the hearing would hardly be concluded to-day